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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is a response to the outstanding restriction requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 13, 2005 in the above-identified patent application. A response is due by June 13, 2005; accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In the restriction requirement, the Examiner restricted the claims into the following two groups:

- Group I: Claims 1-19, directed to processes for removing a reduced sulfur/gas species from a process stream; and
- Group II: Claims 20-28, directed to methods of stabilizing an unreacted alumina support so as to be chemically nonreactive with zinc atoms from a zinc-containing compound comprising a reduced sulfur sorbent composition.

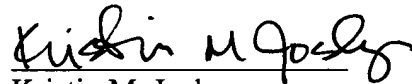
To provide a complete response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants elect to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-19. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter of the remaining claims in this application.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with this reply. However, if any fees are due, please charge any payments due to Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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